

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2017

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls in this week's Mass intention; for the souls in Purgatory; and for the deceased of our parish.

Sat., May 20,	4:00 P.M.	Intentions of Msgr. Oliveira
Sun., May 21,	8:30 A.M.	Lorraine & Robert DeMoranville
	10:30 A.M.	Mass of Thanksgiving – Msgr. Oliveira's 50th Jubilee
	7:00 P.M.	Grace Elizabeth LaCroix by family
Mon., May 22,	8:00 A.M.	For parishioners of St. Mary
Tues., May 23,	8:00 A.M.	Tony Colangelo by father, Angelo (6 th anniversary)
Thurs., May 25,	8:00 A.M.	Randall Villeneuve by family
Holy Day	12:00 P.M.	Leslie Jane Medeiros by Mother
	7:00 P.M.	For parishioners of St. Mary
Fri., May 26,	8:00 A.M.	Eleanor Gauthier by husband, Joe & Walter
Sat., May 27,	4:00 P.M.	Yvette Gioiosa by nieces, Gloria & Lucille
Sun., May 28,	8:30 A.M.	Arthur & Mary Chevalier by daughter & family
	10:30 A.M.	Community Mass: Grace, Tony & Peter Colangelo, Cosme Medeiros, Joao Gaspar, Yvonne Barrett, Dr. John & Bessie Poulos, Joseph O'Neill, Marjorie McCarthy, Phyllis Cornell, Lazaro Rosa
	7:00 P.M.	Ann Elizabeth Robbins by Mom & Jillian



14-day Memorial Candles: In Memory of Adriano Correia by family & friends
In Memory of William C. Thompson by daughter, Sandra

Icon Candle: In Memory of Eleanor Gauthier by husband, Joe & Walter

Hosts for May: In Memory of Randall Villeneuve by family



Flowers for the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima (May 13) by Resendes Family

All the names of mothers submitted by their loved ones are being remembered at all the Masses during the month of May. The names have been placed on the tabernacle and will be remembered this month.

During the month of May, we recite the rosary before the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses as well as the usual 4PM Mass. Please try to come to mass a little earlier to pray the rosary together.

On the bulletin board at the main entrance of the church there is a priest prayer request calendar for May. Please take one and say a prayer for the priest on that day. Thank you.

Budget: \$5280.

The Catholic Charities Appeal is in full swing, and to date we have raised \$16,798. (20% returned). We'd like to encourage everyone to participate. Your contribution helps the Diocese fund vital programs and ministries that serve the need of southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands — one person at a time. Your contribution makes a difference — it can help a child who needs food, a youth who is discovering the value of his or her faith, an unwed mother struggling to cope, someone dealing with AIDS/HIV, housing for the homeless, etc. Please share what you have with those who have so much less.



Ascension Thursday, May 25th is a Holy Day of Obligation. For your convenience, there are three masses scheduled at 8:00 A.M., 12 Noon and 7:00 P.M. Please make every effort to attend mass.

As I celebrate 50 years of Priesthood this weekend, I ask you to join me in a prayer of thanksgiving for having reached this milestone in my life. This is an opportunity to thank all of you who, for 21 years, have been a special part of my priesthood. Your encouragement, support, kindness, and above all, the example of your faith, have been very special to me.

As we thank God for the gift of the priesthood, let us remember to pray for vocations of the priesthood:

Heavenly Father, you desire the happiness and salvation of all. Stir up the grace of a holy vocation in the hearts of many within our Diocese. Grant them the willingness and generosity to give themselves completely to the service of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ and to His Holy Church. May more young men and women be sent forth as priests, deacons, and religious to bring the truth of our Catholic faith to a sinful world. May these whom you are calling, come to know You better and to love You more, and may they find true happiness in serving You as priests and religious for the salvation of their souls and the souls of others.

We especially invoke the intercession of our Lady of the Assumption, patroness of our Diocese, to send us young men to serve in the sacred ministry here in the Diocese of Fall River. Amen.

Remember also in your prayers my classmates who celebrate their Golden Jubilee this weekend: Rev. Henry Arruda, Rev. Richard Chretien, Rev. Brian Harrington and Rev. James Morse. Also remember in prayer Rev. William Norton, our deceased classmate, who, we pray, celebrates in the kingdom of God.

All Saints Catholic School Safe, nurturing, engaged learning, living Catholic faith and values, after school activities, before and after school care and more! Now accepting registrations for 2017-2018, Pre-K (ages 3 & 4) through Grade 8. Contact Principal Sue Massoud at smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org or [508-995-3696](tel:508-995-3696) for more information or to schedule a tour.

The Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) and Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools are excited to announce *The Catholic School's Hope and Opportunity Initiative*. This Initiative, sponsored by the Carney Family Fund, will provide 100 scholarships for up to \$2000 per student for the 2017-18 school year to new low-income K-8 students in the Fall River and New Bedford Deaneries. If you, or someone you know, wants to send their children to a Catholic School please contact Susan Massoud at All Saints Catholic School at 508-995-3696 or Msgr. Oliveira here at the parish office, 508-995-3593.

St. John Neumann Parish 33rd Lakeside Family Festival - Memorial Day Weekend, May 26-29, Friday, May 26th: 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Sat and Sun: Noon to 11 p.m. Monday, May 29th: Noon to 5 p.m. Rt. 18 – 157 Middleboro Rd., East Freetown. Barn Sale, Classic Car Show (on Sunday), Games–Fun–Food, Live Entertainment, Midway Rides, Raffle. FREE ADMISSION!! For more info go to sjnfreetown.org/lakeside-family-festival

Family Prayer Event: Join us for an afternoon of family fun, prayer and food! We'll kick off Saturday, June 3 at 1:30 with Adoration, a short film on Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., and engaging activities for children. Then we'll have a brief interactive theatre production about the miraculous appearance of Our Lady of Fatima. Immediately after the production, we will pray the Rosary and process to Mass with Bishop Edgar M. Da Cunha, S.D.V. Following Mass, there will be a delicious free family meal of hotdogs, hamburgers and potato chips. Come for any or all of our prayer activities, we'd love to see you! Event to be held at The Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington St., N. Easton, MA 02356 and is free, family-friendly, handicap accessible and open to the public. For more info: Family Rosary 508-238-4095.

Being Human: Christian Perspectives on the Human Person - Portsmouth Institute 2017 Summer Conference June 9-11, 2017, Portsmouth Abbey, Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Group rates available. Register at portsmouthinstitute.org or call [401.643.1175](tel:401.643.1175) Speakers will consider the meaning and ends of the human person in the context of theology, bioethics, politics, education, and more.

